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Applicants:	Harada, et al.
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For:	RHESUS MONKEY DICKKOPF-1, NUCLEOTIDES, ENCODING SAME, AND USES THEREOF

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to substantive examination of the above identified application, which is filed concurrently herewith, the applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendment.

Amendments to the Specification begin on Page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.